

FUSION Halifax Diversity Photo Contest

The FUSION Halifax Immigration & Diversity Action Team has launched a Diversity Photo Contest, with the theme "Express Yourself. Do It, Do.," open now until June 1, 2012. Show us what diversity in HRM looks like through your eyes! Top prize is \$500! The contest is open to all residents of HRM—people of all ages and with all levels of photography skills are encouraged to participate.

For more information, visit www.fusionhalifax.ca/en/expressyourself.

To submit your photo, email it to diversity photocontest @fusion halifax.ca.

The team is also offering a free "Let's Talk Photography" Information Session facilitated by local professional photographers on Wednesday, May 16 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Keshen Goodman Public Library at 330 Lacewood Drive. All are welcome. Attendees are encouraged to bring their digital or smartphone cameras.

Celebrate Police Week May 12th

Each year in May, Halifax Regional Police and Halifax District RCMP host Police Week, with hands-on displays and demonstrations which showcase the many services provided in HRM and give residents an inside look at the fascinating world of police work.

The free event will take place on Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. -6 p.m. at Mic Mac Mall, 2nd Level, Bay Court entrance. The public is welcome to come see police vehicles and equipment up close, watch demonstrations by specialized police divisions such as the K-9 Unit, HRP's Public Safety Unit and the RCMP Explosive Disposal Unit's robot. If you find you're

interested in getting involved, there will be officers and staff on hand to answer your questions about our youth programs, recruitment and how to volunteer. As an added bonus, the Halifax Regional Police Youth Program will be there to take children's fingerprints and RCMP will be on hand to take photos of children with officers as a memento of the event.

In addition to Halifax Regional Police and Halifax District RCMP, officers from Military Police and CN Police will be on hand to offer their expertise on what role they play in helping keep HRM a safe place to live, work and play.

For more information on Police Week visit http://www.halifax.ca/police/PoliceWeek.ht ml.

Grass Maintenance

The arrival of spring has brought us into the busy grass maintenance season!

HRM maintains over 530 hectares of land which includes parks, playgrounds, schools, cemeteries, sportsfields and right of ways. Where HRM does not provide this service, section 11 of HRM Streets By-Law S-300 requires abutting property owners to maintain any grass between their property line and the curb closely clipped to a height not greater than six (6) inches (15 cm).

Please help support enhancing the beauty and environmental health of our community

by maintaining the sidewalk areas that abut your property.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the HRM Corporate Call Center at 902-490-4000. To ensure that your call is handled correctly please ensure you have as much information as possible, such as: a civic address, park name (as per an HRM sign), and any descriptive notes.

Emergency Preparedness Week Runs May 6-12

Is your family prepared? The HRM Emergency Management Office is asking residents to take three simple steps to become better prepared:

- Know the risks
- Make a plan
- Get an emergency kit

Visit www.getprepared.ca to complete a family emergency plan online and to find a list to build an emergency kit.



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